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In re application of:

Naoto Matsunami et al.

Application No.: 10/004,131

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For: STORAGE SYSTEM HAVING A
PLURALITY OF CONTROLLERS

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 8042

Examiner: Eron J. Sorrell

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AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.312(a)

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed August 29, 2006, amendment of the above-identified application as follows is respectfully requested:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.